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FOR GARRISON FROM MATLOCK

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OGEN
SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

PLEASE ADVISE HEW THAT WE ARE PLEASED HEALTH
AGREEMENT DELEGATIONS ARE NOW CHECKING IN WITH US UPON
ARRIVAL IN MOSCOW. WE ALSO APPRECIATE REINSTATEMENT OF
THE HEW WEEKLY TRAVEL ADVISORY, WHICH HELPS US KEEP
TRACK OF HEALTH EXCHANGES IN THE USSR. ON ANOTHER
MATTER, WE HAVE NOTICED FROM THE HEW-MOH TELEX
CHANNEL THAT HEW HAS GIVEN THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN
WASHINGTON A LETTER WHICH CONTAINS DETAILED INFORMATION
ABOUT THE PROGRAM FOR THE FEBRUARY 5-12 U.S. VISIT
OF SOVIET DEPUTY MINISTER OF HEALTH CHAZOV. WE WOULD
APPRECIATE RECEIVING ASAP A COPY OF THIS LETTER, WHICH
WE WOULD LIKE TO USE TO ARRANGE A MEETING WITH
CHAZOV. WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING ASAP A COPY
OF THIS LETTER, WHICH WE WOULD LIKE TO USE TO
ARRANGE A MEETING WITH CHAZOV BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE
FOR THE U.S. CHAZOV IS VERY INFLUENTIAL IN SOVIET
HEALTH POLICY AND HAS BEEN MENTIONED AS A LEADING
CANDIDATE TO SUCCEED MINISTER OF HEALTH PETROVSKIY,
WHEN THAT POST BECOMES VACANT. (CHAZOV IS ALSO
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BREZHNEV'S PERSONAL CARDIOLOGIST.) IN MOST OTHER
BILATERALS THE DEPT. POUCH CHANNEL IS USED FOR
TRANSMITTAL OF LETTERS TO THE SOVIETS, AND WE BELIEVE
THAT THIS METHOD IS PREFERABLE FROM THE U.S. POINT OF
VIEW AND IS PROBABLY A MORE EFFECTIVE METHOD OF GETTING
THE MATERIAL TO ITS ULTIMATE DESTINATION. THE
RECENT RICHMOND-VENEDIKTOV LETTER UNDERLINES THE

DESIRABILITY OF KEEPING HEW COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE
SOVIETS WITHIN DEPT. CHANNELS.
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